## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of BUSCH et al.

**BOX PCT** 

International Application PCT/EP 00/08515

Filed: August 31, 2000

For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF CARBONYL CHLORIDES

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims as shown on the attached sheets.

## REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to place them in better form for U.S. filing. No new matter is included.

A clean copy of the claims is attached.

Favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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